

## Senior leads team to victory

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Senior Taylor Young made the most of her last home game as a Lady Eagle basketball player scoring a team-high 14 points and pulling down 9 rebounds to help lead her team to a 48-31 victory over Norton.

Young banked in a layup after receiving a pass from Katherine Kaus to give Colby an early 4-0 lead. Not long after that Katherine nailed a midrange jumper to extend the Lady Eagles' lead to 6-0. Sophomore Shelby Terrell buried a three pointer to increase Colby's lead to 13-2 with 2:19 left in the first quarter. With a little over 10 seconds remaining in the quarter Katherine whipped a pass to Young who made a layup while drawing contact from her defender. She drained the free throw to give Colby a 16-7 lead.

The second quarter didn't go much better for the Lady Bluejays. Freshman Morgan Bell drove down the lane before passing it to Katherine who nailed a shot from the free throw line to give the Lady Eagles a 22-9 advantage. Terrell buried a three from the top of the key to increase Colby's lead to 26-9 with 2:46 remaining in the half.

Later in the quarter Bell hit Young with a nice pass near the bucket for an easy two points to stretch the Lady Eagle's lead to 28-9. When halftime arrived Colby was leading Norton 30-11.

Young continued to grab rebounds and score in the paint in the second half as the Lady Eagles cruised to an easy victory.

Katherine Kaus had 10, Bell scored 8 and sophomore Kayla Hockersmith and Terrell each had 6. Sophomores Katrina Kaus and Kylie Reitcheck both scored 2. The win improved Colby's record to 15-5.

The Lady Eagles will face Hesson in the first round of substate at 7 p.m. Tuesday. The location of the game has yet to be established.

## Catcher hitting for power

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Colorado catcher Chris Iannetta came up as a defensive presence, but the Rockies are now relying more on his power.

The numbers show why: He drove in 65 runs in 2008, the most ever by a Rockies catcher.

Iannetta, a fourth-round pick by Colorado in 2004, quickly moved up with ability to manage hurlers and block pitches.

His bat took awhile to get going at the major league level, however.

Although his average was only .264 last season, his production improved, not only with the 65 RBIs but with 42 of his 88 hits going for extra bases, including 18 homers and 22 doubles.

"It was a good feeling being able to contribute last year. Hopefully that continues," Iannetta said. "I felt a lot more comfortable."



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Junior Ryley Haas took a three-pointer during the Eagles' game against Norton on Tuesday. Colby defeated the Bluejays 59-44.

## Eagles beat Norton in a 59-44 blowout

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The Colby High basketball team's seniors walked off the court winners on senior night after defeating Norton 59-44 on Tuesday.

You couldn't make up a much better game for the group, as every senior scored at least one bucket in their final home game.

Senior Levi Schlick missed a short jumper but got his own rebound while falling to the floor in the first quarter. Schlick managed to pass the ball from the ground to senior Stephen Dinkel who knocked down a three-pointer to give the Eagles an early 7-0 lead. Schlick nailed a short turnaround jumper with 3:01 to make it 15-2 Colby.

Senior Brent Arnberger knocked down a long jumper with 43 seconds left in the quarter to give Colby a 17-4 advantage.

Dinkel hit another three to stretch the Eagles' lead to 22-6 going into the second quarter.

Colby's offense continued to operate smoothly. Senior Cade Carter lobbed a pass to Schlick

who made an easy layup. Senior Tyson Miller grabbed a rebound and stuck it back in to give the Eagles a 30-10 lead.

Senior Cole Finley scored inside with 1:18 left in the half to make it 32-16 Colby. The Eagles led 32-18 when halftime arrived.

The Eagles expanded their lead to 47-26 in the third quarter.

Dinkel made running one hander to increase Colby's lead to 49-28 early in the fourth quarter. A little later in the quarter Arnberger made a baby hook to make it 51-28 Eagles.

Senior Kyle Molstad took it hard to the basket for a layup to give Colby a 57-40 lead with 1:51 remaining in the game. The Eagles coasted to a win.

Dinkel scored a team-high 17 and Schlick added 8. Carter scored 7, Brent Arnberger made 6 and Molstad and sophomore Corbin Stephens each had 4. Senior Corey Sager and Finley had 2 each.

The win improved the team's record to 15-5. The Eagles will face Smokey Valley in the first round of substate at 6:30 p.m. on Monday at the Community Building.

## Trojans go 7-3 on road trip

The Colby Community College baseball team (7-4 overall on the season) finished their Texas road trip with a 7-3 record.

On Feb. 15 the Trojans swept a doubleheader against Ranger College, winning 16-7 and 2-0. Terry Steiner was the winning pitcher in game one and Scott Hornstra pitched a complete game shutout in game two. Hornstra allowed just two hits and two walks in seven innings while striking out three. Hornstra was also 3-for-3 at the plate with a stolen base.

The Trojans split a doubleheader with Odessa College on Feb. 16. Colby won the first game 16-11, but lost the second game 11-15. In game one, the Trojans had 11 hits — 7 for extra bases — 10 walks and 7 stolen bases.

Hornstra was 3-for-6 with a homerun, a triple, and 5 runs batted in. Drew Ziegler was 3-for-5 with a double and 3 runs batted in. In game two, the Trojans held a 9-1 lead after two and a half innings of play. However, they were

unable to shut down Odessa's offense, allowing 13 runs over the final five innings of play. Griffin Campbell took the loss for the Trojans. Colby catcher Eric Sim was 3-for-3 with a double, a triple and 3 runs batted in. Hornstra had three more hits, and Jerry Hildreth was 3-for-4 with 2 RBI.

The Trojans played at Western Texas on Feb. 18, dropping game one 6-5 to the home team. The Trojans were up 5-2 entering the bottom of the seventh inning, but allowed a walk-off three-run home run. The Trojans rebounded to win game two 6-4 with Ryan Westover earning the win with a complete game victory. Westover allowed four runs, one earned, in seven innings. He struck out 8 while walking two. Zack Semenza was 2-for-3 with a home run, while sophomore Jaret Chatwood was 2-for-2 with a walk.

The Trojans swept a doubleheader on Feb. 20 against Wayland Baptist junior varsity. Colby run-ruled Wayland in the first

game and won 10-0 in five innings. Griffin Campbell and Ryan Beecroft combined for a one-hit shutout in the contest. Freshman Brendan Miller hit two home runs and drove in 3 runs. In game two the Trojans trailed 4-1, but scored 10 runs in the top of the fifth en route to a 13-4 victory. Jerry Hildreth hit his second home run of the day and nearly hit for the cycle. Hildreth also doubled and tripled in the contest. Weston Lewis was 4-for-4 with 3 runs scored and 2 RBI.

The Trojans ended their Texas tour with a doubleheader split with Clarendon on Feb. 21. The Trojans won game one 14-4 with Mark Phillips picking up the win. Colby pounded out 14 more hits in the contest. Jordan Smith was 2-for-4 with a double, triple and 5 RBI. Jerry Hildreth and Drew Ziegler each added three hits, and Scott Hornstra and Zach Semenza had two hits.

## Wildcats face Missouri in Columbia

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) — After a career-high 30 points against Baylor on Jan. 31, Missouri forward Leo Lyons was still getting some guff from coach Mike Anderson about rebounding.

Lyons grabbed six that game but both he and coaches felt he should have had more.

"Coach always stresses rebounding and he is usually OK with seven rebounds a game but I like to go out and get 15 or 18 like I know I am capable of doing," Lyons said.

"He's doing good but I think he can do better," Anderson said. "He got on a roll about this time last year but I'm happy with what he has been doing lately, letting the game come to him."

Lyons has averaged six in the previous five games since his return to the starting lineup against Baylor.

The senior is coming off back-

to-back double doubles against Nebraska and Colorado, grabbing ten and 15 rebounds in each game.

His re-emergence on both the offensive and defensive glass will be key for the No. 11 ranked Tigers as they host the Kansas State Wildcats in the penultimate home game of the season Wednesday night.

"They took the fight to us there so hopefully we have been improving on that since," Anderson said. "But not just with Leo but Demarre (Carroll) and Kimmie (English) and Zaire (Taylor) and all those guys will rebound the basketball and give us a more physical presence."

The Wildcats out-rebounded the Tigers 39-35 but managed to outshoot them 53 percent to 39 percent, thanks in large part to a lot of second-chance points from the Wildcats. The 88-72 Kansas State

victory on Jan. 28 was Missouri's last loss.

Since the Missouri victory, Kansas State has won eight of its last nine games, including an overtime win at Texas just a few days before Missouri pulled off the same feat.

Missouri enters the game on a current six-game winning streak, with a 16-0 mark at Mizzou Arena.

A win not only would tie Missouri for second place with the Oklahoma Sooners but soothe the pain of a loss to Kansas State.

Anderson, who has gushed over the play of guards Taylor and J.T. Tiller for most of the season, called the Kansas State game their worst collective output of the season. The Wildcats backcourt of Denis Clemente and Jacob Pullen shot 13-of-22 from the field highlighted by Pullen's 23 points.

## Legislative Town Hall Meeting

with Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer, Rep. Jim Morrison, Rep. Dan Johnson

Saturday, February 28, 2009

- 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. MT in Goodland at Cafe on the Bricks
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- 11:30 - 1:00 p.m. CT in Hoxie at Elks Lodge
- 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. CT in Hill City at Frontier Stage
- 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. CT at Plainsville Hospital Cafeteria

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